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UPCOMING EVENTS

November

2-4 GLR AE Conference

December

2 Wing Staff Xmas Party

January

20 Area Meeting -Lansing
Special Activities
Review Brd -Lansing

26-28 MI Aviation Conf -
MSU Kellogg Center

February

17-18 Mission Operations Trng

All Wing wide activities need to be cleared by LTC Kay McLaughlin, MIWG Plans & Programs Officer, before they are announced or included on the calendar.

BOULLE-NORMAN CADET SQUADRON WINS AGAIN

Boulle-Norman Cadet Squadron was victorious at the MIWG Academic Bowl held on 21 October 2000 at Macomb Community College.

In addition to Boulle-Norman, **South Oakland Cadet Squadron** and **Livingston Composite Squadron** came together to test their knowledge in aerospace education, leadership and current events in a panel quiz that pitted three person teams against each other.

Boulle-Norman Cadet Squadron was victorious, in fact undefeated, in both the reserve and open divisions.



Cadets prepare a shelter for the night

They even won a match with the unprecedented score of 220-0.

The team was commanded by **C/2LT Ben Jonkman**, and included **C/Amn Holly Grove**, **C/SrA Jim Gromski**, **C/MSGT Zach Hodyna**, **C/MSGT Jared Willman**, **C/SrA Brian Sikkema**. The winning reserve team was **C/Amn Taylor Martin**, **C/SSGT Charlie Brumley** and **C/SrA Alex Oltoff**.

South Oakland Cadet Squadron put in significant effort into the competition and secured second place in MIWG's Academic Bowl.

Great job to all the teams for their hard work and effort.



COL Courter presents Academic Bowl trophy to the Boulle-Norman team

PLOTTING THE RIGHT COURSE

By 1LT Paul Lytle

The **Battle Creek** and **Kalamazoo** squadrons combined to conduct a weekend exercise in land navigation and survival training at Fort Custer in Battle Creek.

1LT Jim McKim and **CPT Robert Turner**, of the Battle Creek Squadron, instructed a 3-hour course Friday evening on compass and map reading as well as survival techniques. 1LT McKim explained how to plot headings and distances using a compass and topographic map. The cadets learned how to read the many legends on the map to help familiarize them with

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TID BITS

- Vehicle utilizations reports MUST BE completed so MIWG/LGT can submit it to National by the 10th of EACH month.
- As of 1 Jan 01, units will no longer have their own EIN numbers. All units will now use the corporate EIN 75-6037853
- Cadets applying to any Special Activities must submit a COMPLETE application to MIWG postmarked NLT 31 Dec 00.
- The National Transportation Safety Board posts information about aviation accidents at www.nts.gov.

“Challenges make you discover things about yourself that you never really knew. They’re what makes you go beyond the norm.”

- Former Gov. David Boren

BUILDING MATERIALS

We need your help finding building materials to make a professional looking Wing HQ. As many of you already know, Wing has moved to a new building and it needs some work.

If you can help get material donated or have relationships to get material at a significant discount, please contact MAJ Craig Brown 248-474-2253 or cbrown@hotmail.com.

Anyone with trade skills that are willing to help are needed as well.



Note from the Editor

CPT Roy Kauer of Bishop Airport Squadron will be the new editor of Rumor Control Lite. Send articles, events or other news items, to news@miwg.cap.gov.



MICHIGAN LOSES FOUR FRIENDS

This has been a very difficult few weeks for Michigan Wing, as we mourn the loss of four friends.

During the return leg of a flight from Greenville to Gaylord on 25 Oct, former CAP members **Dick Weber** and **Daune Weiss** crashed approximately four miles from Otsego County Airport. Unfortunately both sustained fatal injuries in the crash, which is still under investigation. Weber and Weiss were well known and widely respected in their community. They will be sadly missed.

On Thursday, October 26, Captain **Richard Fraley** succumb to his second battle with cancer.

CPT Fraley brought not only his prior military experience to the **Blue Water Composite Squadron**, but also his love of communications. An avid Amateur Radio Operator, he was able to give communications classes that were reinforced with real life experi-

ences.

Until the very end of his terminal illness, Captain Fraley wore many hats in the squadron. He served as Communications Officer, Logistics Officer, and Safety Officer, as well as maintaining a liaison role with the local VFW and American Legion to ensure unit participation in parades.

The cadets of his squadron recently sent a letter which

convened at his home, where he taught his final communications class from his bed. Blinded now due to complications from the disease and barely able to speak above a whisper, CPT Fraley delivered his class not only about communications but also about aerospace history and the future of the squadron. CPT Farley's brother shared with the squadron that on the very

afternoon that he passed away, he was saying how much it meant to him to have us hold a meeting in his house. - By CPT Sheila Cerny

Jeff McAllister, former member of **Oakland Composite Squadron**, was killed tragically when the Merlin A2 he was piloting crashed suddenly

shortly after take-off on November 10. CPT McAllister had been flying cargo flights for Superior Aviation, at the time of the accident which is being investigated by the NTSB.

CPT McAllister is survived by his wife and four children.



Members of Blue Water sit with CPT Fraley

stated that they hoped he would feel better soon because they missed his communications classes. In response, CPT Fraley asked the squadron to bring the meeting to his home because he was too ill to leave. Just ten days before he would pass away, the meeting

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the surrounding area.

Capt. Turner demonstrated what items are in a survival kit and how to use them if placed in a survival situation.

The next morning ten cadets were transported out to the starting point where they applied their classroom knowledge in a field training exercise. The land navigation course offered a wide variety of terrain and obstacles. The start was a

little rough, as the majority of the cadets had no prior knowledge of map and compass techniques. But, by the second point many cadets were navigating the course as if they were well experienced in land navigation.

The day ended with Capt. Turner and **Maj. Hibiske** demonstrating fire starting techniques as well as shelter building for any type of environment. The cadets then ap-

plied these new skills by starting individual fires and then, working together as a team building a shelter with only items found in the woods.

The weekend was an invaluable lesson for each cadet. Taking the classroom knowledge and applying it to real life scenarios helped each cadet gain self-confidence in their own ability and to learn the importance of teamwork to accomplish goals.